

House Concurrent Resolution No. 27

92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Whereas, the states of Missouri and Israel share a deep and abiding friendship
2 based on a shared commitment to democratic values; and
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Whereas, Missouri's own President Harry S Truman announced on May 14, 1948,
4 that the United States would become the first country to recognize the new Nation of Israel; and
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Whereas, since its establishment, Israel has fulfilled the dreams of its founders
7 who evidence a vigorous, open, and stable democracy; and
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Whereas, on January 28, 2003, the people of Israel elected Israel's 16th Knesset,
10 or Parliament, which in turn will choose the Prime Minister of Israel; and
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Whereas, the election on January 28, 2003, is the most recent example of the
13 commitment of Israel to the democratic ideals of freedom and pluralism, ideals that Israel shares
14 with the United States:
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Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the House of
17 Representatives of the Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
18 concurring therein, hereby:
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21 (1) Express their respect and admiration for the people of Israel;

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23 (2) Commend the people of Israel for reaffirming their dedication to democratic ideals
24 as expressed in the election on January 28, 2003; and

25 (3) Restate the mission of the Missouri-Israel Cooperative Agreement, signed by the
26 Missouri Department of Economic Development and the Israeli Ministry of Industry and Trade
27 in 1988, which calls for projects of mutual economic benefit through improved trade, technology
28 development, science, agriculture, and tourism;
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30 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
31 Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for the Prime
32 Minister of Israel, Ariel Sharon, and the Missouri Department of Economic Development.